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For: REAL-TIME FAIL-OVER RECOVERY FOR A MEDIA AREA
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOR RCE

MAIL STOP RCE
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Following receipt of the advisory action mailed November 20, 2006, denying entry of applicants' Amendment after Final rejection, applicants hereby submit the instant Preliminary amendment with the accompanying request for Continued Examination.

Listing and Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via facsimile to Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 2313-1450 on 12-27-06 at facsimile number (571) 273-8300.

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